UNIVERSITY OF EDINBURGH,
Wednesday, 7th November, 1827.

SYLLABUS

OF THE

COURSE OF LECTURES

ON

MILITARY SURGERY.

History and Progress of Military Surgery, with Notices of the Principal Writers on this department of Medicine.—General Observations on the Means of Preserving the Health of Soldiers and Seamen.—Examination of Recruits.—Accommodation of Troops in Camp, in Barracks, in Billets; Circumstances affecting their Health in these different Situations.—Site, Construction, Economy, and Discipline of Military Hospitals; General and Regimental Hospitals; Advantages of the latter.—Means of Transporting Sick and Wounded, Illustrated by Models and Plans of the Principal Contrivances for this Purpose.

Surgical diseases, and accidents incident to Troops.—General Observations on Inflammation, as connected with those Injuries to which Soldiers and Seamen are more peculiarly exposed; Causes, Symptoms, Terminations, and

Treatment of inflammation.—Ulcers.—Burns, particularly those from Explosions of Gunpowder.—Hospital Gangrene.

General Observations on Wounds.—Hæmorrhage and the means of its Suppression.—Aneurism and Diseases of the Blood-vessels.—Injuries of the Nerves.—Tetanus.—Incised, Punctured, Lacerated, and Contused Wounds.—Gunshot Wounds.—Wounds of the Head; of the Trunk; of the Extremities.—Fractures, and Diseases of the Bones.—Injuries of the Joints, particularly those from Sabre and Gunshot Wounds.—Luxations.—Amputation; Comparative Statements of the success of Primary and Secondary Amputations; Different forms of operating in the Removal of Limbs, particulary at the larger Joints.

Ophthalmia, particularly as it has affected the British Troops; Various sequelæ of this Disease, and means of Treatment.

Syphilis; Local and Constitutional Symptoms; Treatment.—Gonorrhœa, and its consequences: Hernia Humoralis; Strictures.

Fictitious Diseases, and means of detecting them.

Conclusion of this division of the Course, with some Remarks on Military Punishments.

Diseases incident to Troops on Foreign Stations, particularly in Tropical Climates.—Diseases of the West India Islands.—Yellow Fever, the great source of Mortality amongst the Troops in the West Indies.—Diseases of the East Indies.—Dysentery, the principal source of Mortality amongst the European Troops in that quarter.—Hepatitis.—Cholera.

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LETTER from Sir James M'Grigor relative to the Lectures on Military Surgery delivered in the University of Edinburgh.

Army Medical Board Office, 27th November 1826.

SIR,

I regret that it is only very lately that I gained accurate information regarding your Lectures, and the importance to the public service of the Chair of Military Surgery. Whenever there is a republication of the qualifications required of Medical Officers of the Army, the attendance on the Class for Military Surgery will not be forgotten. I have the honour to remain,

SIR,

Your most obedient humble Servant,

(Signed) J. M'GRIGOR,
Director-General,
Army Medical Department.

To Dr. George Ballingall, University, Edinburgh.

LETTER from M. Waller Clifton, Esq. of the Navy Victualling Office relative to the Lectures on Military Surgery delivered in the University of Edinburgh.

Victualling Office, 19th December 1826.

SIR,

Having laid before the Commissioners for Victualling his Majesty's Navy your letter of the 12th instant, inclosing a Syllabus of the Course of Lectures on Military Surgery delivered by you at the University of Edinburgh; as also a copy of a Letter from the Director-General of the Medical Department of the Army; and expressing a hope—as the Director has recommended an attendance on your Class, by a Notice hung up in the Waiting-Room of the Army Medical Board Office in London, and the Military Hospital in the Castle of Edinburgh—that this Board may be pleased to issue similar recommendations to Candidates for Medical Appointments in the Navy; In reply, I am commanded to acquaint you, that this Board will consider as an additional recommendation, attendance on your Lectures by any Gentleman applying to be admitted in the Medical Department of the Navy; and they will cause a Notice to such effect to be posted up in the Waiting-Room of this Office accordingly. I am,

SIR,

Your very humble Servant,

(Signed) M. WALLER CLIFTON.

To Dr. George Ballingall, University, Edinburgh.

OPINION given by several Medical Officers of the Honourable East India Company's Army relative to the Lectures on Military Surgery delivered in the University of Edinburgh.

Edinburgh, 2d January 1827.

We, the undersigned Medical Officers of the Honourable East India Company's Service, do most willingly express our opinion of the great utility of the Lectures on Military Surgery delivered in the University of Edinburgh to those young men educating with a view to our service. Some of us, who have now retired from that service, have to regret that no similar source of instruction existed at the period when we were educated; and others of us, who are about returning to India, have eagerly embraced the opportunity afforded us by Dr. Ballingall of profiting by his experience in the treatment of the Diseases incident to European Troops in India.

(Signed) Alex Kennedy, M. D., *formerly Superintending Surgeon, Madras Establishment.*
Colin Rogers, M. D., *formerly Superintending Surgeon, Madras Establishment.*
John Macwhirter, M. D., *formerly Apothecary-General, Bengal Establishment.*
Whitelaw Ainslie, M. D., *formerly Superintending Surgeon of the Madras Establishment.*
James Hare, Jun. M. D., *Surgeon, and formerly Apothecary-General, Bengal Establishment.*
Patrick Halket, *Surgeon, Bengal Establishment.*
Thos Stewart, M. D., *Bombay Establishment.*
Alex. Henderson, *Surgeon, Bombay Establishment.*
W. Duff, *Assistant Surgeon, Bengal Establishment.*
Thomas Inglis, M. D. *Bengal Establishment.*

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